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TO ALL PARTIES:

Enclosed please find the recommendation of Administrative Law Judge Marc E. Stern. The recommendation has been filed in the form of an Opinion and Order on:

TOWER EQUITIES, INC (APPLICATION FOR REHEARING)

Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-110(B), you may file exceptions to the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge by filing an original and ten (10) copies of the exceptions with the Commission's Docket Control at the address listed below by <u>4:00 p.m.</u> on or before:

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The enclosed is <u>NOT</u> an order of the Commission, but a recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge to the Commissioners. Consideration of this matter has <u>tentatively</u> been scheduled for the Commission's Working Session and Open Meeting to be held on:

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1	BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION	
2	WILLIAM A.MUNDELL CHAIRMAN	
3	JIM IRVIN	
4	COMMISSIONER MARC SPITZER	
5	COMMISSIONER	
6	IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NO. S-03439A-00-0000	
7	TOWER EQUITIES, INC. 8141 N. Main Street	
8	Dayton, OH 45415-1747 DECISION NO	
9	PHILIP A. LEHMAN Tower Equities, Inc. 8141 N. Main Street	
10	Dayton, OH 45415-1747,	
11	Respondents. ORDER	
12	Open Meeting	
13	May 23, 2002 Phoenix, Arizona	
14	BY THE COMMISSION:	
15	<u>FINDINGS OF FACT</u>	
16	1. On February 22, 2002, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued	
17	Decision No. 64559 ("Decision") in the above-captioned matter.	
18	2. On April 11, 2002, pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-112, Tower Equities, Inc. ("Tower") and	
19	Mr. Philip A. Lehman (collectively "the Respondents") filed with the Commission an Application for	
20	Rehearing and Review ("Application") of the Decision on the grounds that the Decision is no	
21	justified by the evidence and is contrary to law.	
22	3. Although it appeared that Tower's and Mr. Lehman's Application was not timely filed	
23	Respondents stated that their attorneys had not been served with a copy of Decision No. 64559 and	
24	attached affidavits which attested to the non-delivery of the Decision at their offices.	
25	4. On April 19, 2002, the Commission's Securities Division ("Division") filed it	
26	Response to the Respondent's Application and requested that the Application be denied on the basi	
27	that the Decision is based on the evidence and is not contrary to law. The Division pointed out that	
28	A.R.S. § 12-901 renders moot the question of the exact date of service if the Commission treats th	

1 Application as timely filed. The Division also filed an affidavit of service that indicated that personal 2 service of Decision No. 64559 had been made upon local counsel on April 17, 2002. 3 5. For purposes of this proceeding, Respondents' Application should be treated as timely filed. Upon review of the Decision, the Division's Response to the Application is well made 5 6. 6 and should be adopted. 7 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** 8 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Article XV of the Arizona Constitution, A.R.S. §§ 44-1901 et seq. and A.A.C. R14-3-112. The Respondents have not demonstrated adequate grounds to justify further review of 10 2. the Decision pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-112. 11 12 3. The Application of Tower and Mr. Lehman should be denied. 13 ORDER IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Application for Rehearing and Review of Tower 14 15 Equities, Inc. and Mr. Philip Lehman is hereby denied. 16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately. 17 BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION. 18 19 COMMISSIONER COMMISSIONER **CHAIRMAN** 20 21 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, BRIAN C. McNEIL, Executive Secretary of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have 22 hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, 23 this day of , 2002. 24 25 BRIAN C. McNEIL **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY** 26 DISSENT 27 MES:mli 28 DECISION NO.

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